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DEATH OF PRESIDENT HARDING.

THIS AFTERNOON'S SURPRISING NEWS.



It is with the deepest regret that we have to record the receipt of a Reuter's telegram announcing the death of President Harding of the United States of America. The message came to hand this afternoon. It contained no details, the sad news being conveyed in these two brief words:—"Harding dead."

The news will be received with the utmost surprise, because telegrams of the past two days have indicated that he was improving, it being said that he had passed the crisis. The same hopeful note was struck in a Reuter's telegram to hand this morning, which read as follows:—

"San Francisco, August 2.—President Harding's physicians state that he had several hours of restful sleep last night, and except for the marked exhaustion of an acute illness he said he was feeling easier. While his recovery will take some time, the physicians are more confident than hitherto with regard to the outcome of the illness. The President's lungs have definitely improved, his temperature is now 98 decimal 2, his pulse is a hundred and his respiration 32 to 40."

The Late President.

Warren Gamaliel Harding, twenty-eighth President of the United States, was 57 years of age. He was born on an Ohio farm, worked his way through college and became a linotype operator in a newspaper office early in life. He had been engaged in newspaper business at Marion (Ohio) since 1884 and was president of the Harding Publishing Company, publishers of *The Star*, a daily newspaper. Elected representative of his district in the Senate of Ohio in 1889, he was later elected Lieutenant Governor of Ohio in 1904 and in 1910 as a Senator. By the largest majority in Presidential election records, he was chosen President of the United States in November, 1920, and entered on his high responsibilities in March of the following year. His term would have expired in March, 1925. A man of sterling character and marked ability, his death will be mourned the world over.

The New President.

By the Constitution of the United States, the Vice-President becomes President in case of the latter's death, for the remainder of the term. Thus, the new President will be Mr. Calvin Coolidge, who is 50 years of age. He was educated at Plymouth, Vermont and Amherst College and entered the legal profession. He was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives twice and has been twice Mayor of Northampton. He has served four terms in the State Senate, of which he was elected President in 1914. He was chosen Governor of Massachusetts in 1919 and was re-elected in the following year.

THE REPARATIONS ISSUE.

Statement in British Parliament.

EFFECTS OF RUHR OCCUPATION.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 2.

In the House of Lords, continuing his statement on reparations, Marquess Curzon disclosed the contents of the recent British draft reply. This expressed the opinion that it would be advantageous to agree to the German proposal for an impartial examination, but in co-operation with the Reparations Commission, of Germany's capacity to pay. The draft pointed out that the German offer of guarantees did not mention stabilisation of the mark or balancing of the budget, and said the guarantees would be ineffective unless some form of international control over the German financial administration be provided. The draft concluded by advising Germany immediately to withdraw the ordinances which fomented the passive resistance policy, and disavow sabotage. It expressed the belief that the occupation Powers in the Ruhr would then reconsider the position with a view to the resumption of normal conditions in German industrial life. The covering Notes to the Allies elaborated the British views in this connection, and urged inter-Allied discussions without delay.

The French and Belgian replies were couched in a cordial spirit, but did not mention the draft British reply.

Mr. Baldwin's statement in the House of Commons was identical with the foregoing.

Withdrawal of Troops Suggested.

In the House of Lords, Lord Birkenhead, following Marquess Curzon, suggested giving the French every chance with their policy, and advised the withdrawal of our army of occupation and our reparations commissioner. Marquess Curzon, replying, dissented, and contended that the former was our only guarantee under the Treaty to ensure that Germany met her obligations, whilst the latter would be an unwise step and might do a deal of harm. It would be unfair to ask what the Government was going to do before it had gathered public opinion from the promised publication of the papers. If that question were put now, he did not know if he could answer.

Mr. Baldwin Explains.

After his statement in the House of Commons, Mr. Baldwin, replying during the debate, emphasised that British interests were not less than those of Belgium and France. He elucidated the effects of the Ruhr situation on world trade, and uttered a grave warning as regards the possibility of a German collapse and of the effects of a surrender forced by desperation. The Government would continue to strive to bring together the Allied forces to secure a just settlement, and if a crisis arose Parliament would be called. He concluded by expressing a desire to maintain warm friendship with France.

Labour Leader's Views.

Outstanding features of a speech by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who followed Mr. Baldwin, were his hearty endorsement of the Government's decision to pursue its own policy, and severe condemnation of the French policy. The leader of the Opposition pointed to the allusion to the omission of reference in the French and Belgian replies to the British draft Note, and said he hoped that it was no more than an oversight. He proceeded to point out that the British conception of an alliance was co-operation; not one in which any partners could claim control concerning their own interests. He asserted that no sane man would now believe France was in the Ruhr for the purpose of getting reparations, but was rather permeated by warlike feeling. He proceeded to examine the internal conditions of France, which he declared were much better than those of England. He questioned the desirability of obtaining reparations from Germany, and inquired what the Government's next step would be, dwelling on the urgency of action. He attached great importance to securing Germany's admission to the League of Nations, notwithstanding French opposition; and concluded by warmly encouraging the Government in its adoption of a positive policy.

Parliament Adjourns.

London, August 2.

Parliament has adjourned to November 13th.

French Opinion.

Paris, August 2.

Official quarters emphasise that the French reply leaves all the doors open for further negotiations, and consider that Mr. Baldwin's statement contains no suggestion of a break, and that its moderate tone paves the way to further conversations.

The Reply from France.

Paris, August 2.

A summary of the French reply to the British Note is published. It deals with the points raised in the British Note, and declares France's readiness to investigate immediately with the British Government the German proposal of June 7th, but the question of passive resistance must be settled before anything else is touched. The occupied territory will be evacuated *pari passu* with Germany's payments. As soon as passive resistance ceases, the occupation will be made as lenient as possible, but until passive resistance ceases France cannot discuss any modifications of the mode of occupation with Germany. As regards the proposed conference of experts, the French Government asks whether such a body would be better than the Reparation Commission. As regards the British proposal for a complete Allied plan for a general definitive financial settlement, the reply recalls that such a plan already exists, and the Reparation Commission has all the powers necessary to enforce its application. The reply suggests that it would be contrary to the treaty to reopen the principle of settlement and fixing of the total figure, and asks what Britain means by a general definitive settlement, and whether it includes the inter-Allied debts. Referring to the question of security, the French Government is always ready to discuss this, but the question is independent of the occupation of the Ruhr and must be dealt with separately.

AN IMMIGRATION COMEDY.

Liners Race to Quarantine.

New York, August 2.

The Government has decided that only *bona fide* immigrants to Canada who are able to prove that they intend to reside there for at least a year may be granted transit visas. Forty Britishers who expressed a desire to change their destination to Canada when they found the immigrant quota into the United States exhausted have consequently been deported. Thirty-four Finns who were deported last week and who have again arrived aboard another steamer, which picked them up at Sable Island, have again been deported, as it was ruled they should have returned home before attempting to re-enter the country.

Mr. Curran the Immigration Commissioner, announces that he has warned the officials of all transatlantic lines against a repetition of yesterday morning's race to the quarantine station, "when thirteen liners endangered the lives of thousands of passengers." According to the masters of several steamers they raced up the narrows at a speed of over fifteen knots, so closely abreast that the passengers on different ships could almost touch hands. A collision anywhere would have affected many vessels.

THE NAVY AND THE AIR FORCE.

Sub-Committee's Recommendations.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 2.

A White Paper has been published containing the recommendations of the National and Imperial Defence Committee on the relations between the Navy and the Air Force, which, in the words of a sub-committee, presided over by Mr. Balfour, have given rise to a "somewhat acute controversy." The sub-committee, after sifting the claims of the rival forces, and the present system of co-operation as regards the fleet and the air arm, do not think complete severance is possible. It is recommended that air officers be appointed to the naval staff and that the relations between the Admiralty and Air Ministry be defined. These recommendations are regarded as a compromise. Drastic reorganisation of the Imperial Defence Committee which is recommended provides that Dominions Ministers may be summoned as members of the Cabinet. The sub-committee rejects the proposal for control or amalgamation of the three fighting services under one Defence Minister, and has decided that each of three chiefs of staff be responsible for advising on defence policy as a whole, the three constituting a super General Staff.

Government Adopts Suggestions.

London, August 2.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Baldwin stated that the Government had adopted the recommendations of the Imperial Defence Committee, and emphasised that the committee had unanimously come to a conclusion in favour of the principle of a single air service, with provisions to meet the Admiralty's objections, particularly securing for the Admiralty absolute control of all fighting equipment of the fleet and carrying out of reconnaissance by naval officers. He declared that a single air service was necessary on the grounds of efficiency and economy.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE CASE.

Imprisonment and Fines.

Paris, August 2.

The Banque Industrielle sentences are: Andre Berthelot is fined three thousand francs, Pernotte gets three months' imprisonment and is fined 350 francs, De Cereville, Pallu, Loste and the engineer Chautard are fined 300 each, and the directors Frezouls, Favareilles and Meilhan are acquitted.

Faults in Administration.

The judgment declares that the original failure of the Banque was due to faults of administration. When the capital was increased a second time there was an irregular issue of shares, but the position was subsequently regularised. The plaintiffs' claims for damages are dismissed, but those mentioned were held responsible for the issue, and sentenced accordingly, Pernotte being also found guilty of negotiation of the irregular shares and Berthelot being found guilty of distribution of fictitious dividends, and Pernotte also of complicity. The judgment points out that the balance sheet in 1919 was inexact, since it included irrecoverable credits, consequently the plaintiffs' demands concerning the distribution of fictitious dividends were admitted, provided shareholders acquired the shares before January 25th, 1921, the date when the position of the Banque became publicly known. The tribunal has appointed an accountant to prepare a statement regarding the damages due to the plaintiffs in this connection.

NAVAL CEREMONY AT GIBRALTAR.

Memorial to U.S. Sailors.

Gibraltar, August 2.

The United States Rear Admiral Soles unveiled, in the presence of the Acting Governor and many notabilities, the memorial tablet erected by the Fifteenth United States Destroyer Squadron in memory of the men lost in the sinking of the United States ship Chauncey in November, 1917, when patrolling the Straits.

Three Hundred naval men landed for the unveiling. Guards of honour were mounted, consisting of American midshipmen and men of the British Navy. The Acting Governor and the British Rear Admiral Ellerton and Rear Admiral Soles deposited wreaths. A battalion of midshipmen from the Annapolis naval academy and a battalion of bluejackets marched past the memorial and saluted the cross of sacrifice, at which Rear Admiral Soles placed a wreath.

BRITISH STEAMER ON FIRE.

Expected to Become a Total Loss.

Batavia, August 2.

The British steamer Ferrara, voyaging from Sabang with a cargo of over three hundred pounds of opium, is on fire, and is expected to become a total loss.

REFORMS FOR U.S. STEEL WORKERS.

New York, August 2.

Judge Gary, president of the United States Steel Corporation, announces the immediate adoption of the eight-hour day in the American steel industry. The wages of the employees whose hours will consequently be reduced from twelve to eight will be adjusted so as to yield earnings equivalent to a twenty-five per cent. increase in the hourly base rates.

BRITISH YACHTS DO WELL.

London, August 2.

After winning the first heat of the British-American Yachting Cup race at Hyde yesterday, by 23 to 13 points, the British team of four yachts in the second heat at Southsea to-day all finished before the Americans, and now lead by 49 to 23 points.

ONLY A RUMOUR.

London, August 2.

In the House of the Commons, replying to Mr. E. D. Morel, Mr. Amery declared that no discussions had occurred between the British and Dutch Governments as regards certain projected naval strategical works in the Dutch East Indies.

RUSSIAN ITEMS.

Moscow, August 2.

The Nijni Novgorod fair opened on August 2nd. It is expected the receipts will be thrice as much as in 1921.

A decree has been issued making platinum the State's monopoly.

REICHSBANK'S DISCOUNT RATE.

Berlin, August 2.

The Reichsbank has raised its discount rate to thirty per cent.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)



Mr. Calvin Coolidge.

who, in consequence of President Harding's death, now becomes President of the United States.

AIRSHIP SERVICE.

Between Canton and Hongkong.

According to the vernacular press (says the *Canton Daily News*) a certain American is organising an airship passenger service company in Canton at a proposed capital of \$2,000,000. The company expects to purchase two airships from America and import them to Canton for carrying passengers to and from important cities, such as Hongkong, Macao, Swatow, Kongmoon and Canton. Each airship has a seating capacity of 40 passengers and is equipped with two engines. It is reported that the company will issue shares of \$1 each, which will be offered to the public. Agencies in Hongkong, Macao, Swatow and Kongmoon will be established for the selling of the company's shares.

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News in Today's New Advertisements.

The committees and members of the I.R.C. will be "At Home" to their friends to-morrow from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.—Page 4.
A list is published on page 4 of well known makes of pianos which are being offered at reduced prices.—Page 4.
A notice of interest to members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club appears on page 4.
The Shields and Medals will be presented to the winners of the "A" Division of the H. K. Lawn Tennis Association to-morrow.—Page 4.
The famous film depicting wild animal life in Africa will be screened for the last time at the Coronet to-night.—Page 12.

LISTEN.

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A notice concerning traffic procedure appears on Page 4.
Consignees are notified of the arrival of the a.s. "President Jackson"—Page 4.
To-morrow will be the last day of Powell's sale.—Page 7.
The super film attraction "Carnival" is being screened at the World Theatre.—Pages 4 & 12.
If you enjoy really good coffee, buy it from the Graco-Egyptian Tobacco Company.—Page 5.
For the current attraction at the Star Theatre, refer to Page 12.

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Exhibition to be Held Shortly

In view of an open exhibition to be held shortly by the recently formed Hongkong Amateur Photographic Society, a brief account of the activities of the Society may be interesting. The Society was formed last year, and, though only a few months old, has succeeded in procuring the support of over 60 members, consisting of prominent members of both the European and Chinese communities in the Colony.

It being necessary in pursuit of the art and practice of amateur photography to unite for mutual assistance, the Hongkong Amateur Photographic Society, with premises at No. 52, Des Voeux Road, Central, 1st floor, was established for that purpose last October. With Mr. Fung Shiu-wa of Messrs. H. Skott and Co. at the head thereof, the Society is open to all amateurs irrespective of nationality. On the Society's premises a dark-room, fully equipped with all necessary apparatus and chemicals for developing and printing purposes, is open to members free of charge and every Thursday evening between 8 and 9—is devoted to the rendering of assistance to beginners. An Open Exhibition is to be held shortly when full particulars will be supplied upon application to the Exhibition Secretary or may be had directly from local photographic goods dealers. The rules in connection with this Exhibition are now in the hands of the printers.

The Constitution.
The following paragraphs are taken from the Constitution of the Society.—Any person interested in Amateur Photography shall be eligible for membership of the Society. The officers of the Association shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Executive Committee of nine persons, who shall constitute the Board of Directors. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of the Executive Committee. The officers shall be elected annually by ballot, and shall hold their offices until others are elected to fill their places.

The annual meeting of the Association shall be held on the first Friday in October each year, when the annual election of officers shall take place.

A person desiring admission to this Association shall send to the Secretary an application signed by himself and one of the Members of the Association together with the current subscription. The names of the candidates shall be submitted for election by ballot at the following monthly meeting of the Board of Directors.

The annual subscription shall be \$12 payable quarterly in advance to the Treasurer, and due on the 1st day of January, April, July and October respectively in each year.

The Board of Directors may admit any Member to Life Membership upon the payment of a sum of \$100 to the Treasurer.

Any candidate residing outside the Colony may, upon the recommendation of one of the Members of the Association apply to become a Corresponding Member upon the payment in advance of a subscription of \$6 per annum.

Persons distinguished for their attainments in Photography, or persons who have rendered valuable service to the Association, or whose presence may be advantageous to the Association, may be elected as Honorary Members by the Board of Directors; and shall be elected for the current year only.

BOTH TOGETHER.

Wife: "Ham or omelette Horace?" Actor (who had been studying the "moody Dina" all night): "Hamlet, please!"

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE EUROPEAN SITUATION.

London, Aug. 2.

Lord Curzon, commenting in the House of Lords on European situation, expressed regret that the Government was unable to find in the French and Belgian replies sufficient material to send a joint allied note to Germany. The replies, he said, held out no definite prospect of an early settlement of the Ruhr situation or of the reparations discussion. The Government was firmly of the opinion that the existing problem could not be evaded and that the situation may sink to irretrievable ruin while time was being occupied in exchanging detailed views. It had therefore been decided to lay before the public the papers containing their views and endeavours, with least possible delay, and to invite the allies to agree to the publication of their respective notes and statements. This, he believed, might convince the world of the imperativeness of prompt and united action. Italy has expressed her general agreement with the British views and proposals.

PRESIDENT HARDING'S CONDITION.

San Francisco, Aug. 2.

Dr. Sawyer issued a statement at ten o'clock this evening in which he stated that indications in President Harding's case looked favourable, but that he was still a sick man. There would very probably be ups and downs, but his temperature was more normal and his breathing less laboured. His pulse was 118.

MISS CARD'S DEATH.

Verdict of "Found Drowned."

The enquiry into the death of Miss Card was concluded yesterday afternoon after we went to press.

Mr. F. A. Wells, chief assistant of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, said the deceased worked in his department. On Friday she was working up to between 4 and 4.30 in the afternoon.

The Coroner: Was there anything extraordinary in her behaviour that afternoon?

Witness: Nothing at all.

When asked if he knew the deceased kept any papers in the drawers of her desk, Mr. Wells replied that he found a few bills in the drawers.

Dr. E. Minnett, Government bacteriologist, testified to examining the body of Miss Card and removing certain articles, which he handed over to a police sergeant. The body was in a partly decomposed state and a portion of the face had been bitten away. The cause of death was immersion. The condition of the body was consistent with its having been in the water for forty-eight hours. There was no sign of external injuries.

Wanted No Dinner.

Evidence of the behaviour of the deceased on Friday night was given by Tong Pao, a room boy of Kingsclere Hotel, who was in charge of Miss Card's room, No. 31. He said he entered room 31 about 8.45 that night and found the deceased standing by a writing table as if looking for something. He asked her if she wanted her dinner, and she replied in the negative.

The Coroner: Was it her custom not to take her dinner?

Witness: No, she had never refused her dinner, but on this particular night she did not dine.

The room boy went on to say that he again went into Miss Card's room to arrange her bed at 11.30. Miss Card was sitting in a chair reading a letter. When he left the room he said "Goodnight" to her and she said the same to him. At 11.30, while he was in the hall, he saw Miss Card going out, wearing a raincoat and brown shoes, with a shawl over her head. He did not speak to her, and she said nothing to him. Miss Card opened the door herself.

The Coroner: Was it her habit to go out before?—I had never seen her before.

Were there any other guests in the hall at the time?—No. There was only a night watchman.

Was she ill?—She appeared to be alright.

Constable Dwyer said he was on duty along the seaford in the central district on Friday night. No. 6 typhoon signal was up. It was a stormy night, but he was able to walk against the wind.

The Coroner: Do you think anybody could have been blown off his feet?

Witness: I think not.

Found Drowned.

Other evidence adduced related to the discovery and removal of the body from the harbour. The body was clothed with a raincoat and a white dress, with a shawl over the head.

Addressing the jury at the end of the evidence, the Coroner said it was a very sad tragedy. The enquiry was held not in the hope of clearing up anything about foul play: it was held entirely for the satisfaction of the lady's friends both here and at home. As far as was known, Miss Card was in perfectly normal health right up to Friday afternoon. She was observed to have taken the very unusual step of leaving the hotel, where she was living, at 11.30 that night, in typhoon weather. That seemed to have been done deliberately.

Her further movements were unknown, but it seemed likely that by the way in which the body was found on Monday morning she entered the harbour either by accident or deliberately on the night when she was last seen. If there were enough circumstances to find that Miss Card was acting deliberately in walking from the hotel to the piers, and took her own life, taking advantage of the weather, the jury could return a verdict of suicide. If, on the other hand, the circumstances were not sufficiently strong to point to that conclusion, they could return a verdict that the deceased was found drowned.

Without retiring the jury returned a verdict that Miss Card was found drowned.

WATER POLO.

The following players will represent the V.R.C. in their matches against the E.G.A. (B), and the King's (B) respectively to-day, commencing at 9 p.m. sharp, the second game following soon after the first.

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4858—Louisville Lou	Fox Trot.
4858—Henpecked Blues	Fox Trot.
4858—Keep it under your Hat	Fox Trot.
4858—Oh! Harold	Fox Trot.
4858—Yes! We have no Bananas	Fox Trot.
4858—I've got the Ain't Got Nothing Blues	Fox Trot.
4858—Lonesome Journey Blues	Fox Trot.
4858—When the Jazz Band Starts to Play	Fox Trot.
4858—Beside a Bubbling Brook	Fox Trot.
4858—Blue Booster Blues	Fox Trot.
4858—Barney Goodie	Fox Trot.
4858—Nothing But	Fox Trot.
4858—Souvenir	Violin Solo.
4858—Humoresque	Violin Solo.
4858—La La	Saxophone Solo.
4858—Gladioli	Saxophone Solo.
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4858—The Star Spangled Banner	Male Quartet.
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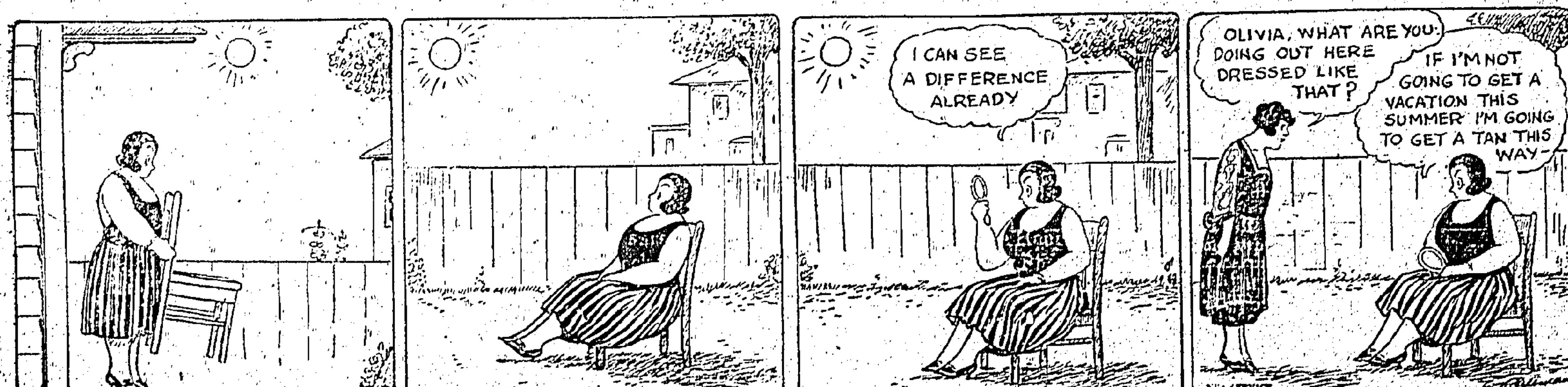
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Riot Over A Cabin.

Ichang, Aug. 1.—Last night a civil official proceeding to Chungking boarded the s.s. Alice Dollar, escorted by a deputy general and a dozen soldiers. He objected to the accommodation and raised an altercation with the purser. The captain was called, in and was struck by the deputy general. The captain grabbed him, whereupon the soldiers crowded about the captain and severely assaulted him. Several shots were fired. The bullets ricocheted, splinters wounding the captain's wife, also the ship's agent's wife and daughter. When a siren was sounded a boarding party was sent from the U. S. S. Isabel and the deputy general and soldiers were all detained.—Reuter.

DISASTROUS FLOODS.

The Worst Ever Experienced.

Seoul, Aug. 2.—Official reports from Pyengyang say that the city and district is experiencing the worst floods in the history of the country. Communications have been interrupted and people threatened with a shortage of food, water and fuel. The full extent of the damage and number of casualties is unascertainable up to the present.—Reuter.

ATOM PROJECTILES.

Sir Ernest Rutherford's Experiments.

At the Royal Institution recently, Sir Ernest Rutherford delivered his postponed lecture on atoms as projectiles, the last of the series which was begun in February.

Sir Ernest gave some of the results he and Dr. Chadwick have obtained in the Cavendish Laboratory at Cambridge by utilising alpha particles, spontaneously fired, at incredible speed, from radio-active substances, in their attempt to disintegrate the atoms of various substances.

Some remarkable results have been obtained with certain unstable elements, notably boron, nitrogen, sodium, aluminium, fluorine, and phosphorus. Constituents of the atoms of these elements have been expelled by alpha particles, and, at any rate temporarily, something like the transmutation of the elements achieved.

By special apparatus devised by Sir Ernest Rutherford, it has been demonstrated that the particles thus expelled are in all cases hydrogen atoms, sometimes in that form and at others in the form of helium nuclei, which consist of four hydrogen nuclei bound together.

It seems almost certain, therefore, that the ultimate "bricks" from which all substance are built up are hydrogen nuclei, the manner in which they are combined in any particular atom determining the nature of the substance of which it is a part.

The fact that, when an alpha particle entered the atomic nucleus of substances like aluminium, hydrogen nuclei were frequently projected backwards as well as forwards was a strong corroboration of the theory that central nucleus of an atom was surrounded by electrons (hydrogen atoms) moving in rapid motion round the nucleus.

The speed and direction of motion of any of these "satellite" electrons, when struck by an intruding alpha particle, would depend on its position in its "orbit" when hit, and Sir Ernest showed by a diagram how, under certain conditions, an electron would be projected in such a way as to sweep close around the nucleus and return on the other side in the same direction as it approached the central region.

These experiments are very difficult and expensive, but they are so fundamental in their nature as to promise the solution of many problems of physics which a few years ago seemed incapable of solution, among them the actual transmutation of the elements—or, rather, some of the lighter ones—and the possibility of harnessing the stupendous energy at present locked up in the complex structure of the atom.

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SECRET DEATH PACT.

Author and Woman Writer.

A sensation has been created in literary and cultural circles of Japan through discovery of the bodies of Mr. Takeo Arishima, 46 years old, wealthy and famous Japanese novelist, and Mrs. Akiko Hatano, 30 years old, well known member of the editorial staff of the *Women's Review* in the guest room of Mr. Arishima's villa at Karuizawa. Letters disclosed that the two noted writers had entered a death pact following a secret love affair lasting over a period of several months.

The affair is creating the greatest sensation among the Japanese and the vernacular newspapers are devoting pages to it. Mr. Arishima was probably the leading Japanese author of the day. The numerous editions of his works have run into the hundreds of thousands. He was extremely radical in his views. Likewise Mrs. Hatano was one of the leading women writers and had a very large following. Both Mr. Arishima and Mrs. Hatano spoke English fluently.

Mr. Arishima and Mrs. Hatano disappeared from their respective homes in Tokyo on June 8 and it is believed they ended their lives the following day. The gruesome discovery was made when the man in charge of the villa, which had been closed during the winter, entered the premises to prepare them for occupation during the summer.

SECRET SEARCH UNDER WAY.

When Mr. Arishima left his home on June 8 he told his servants that he was going out to attend to business matters. Mrs. Hatano disappeared at the same time and since then the families of the two had been secretly searching for the missing ones with the aid of the police. Both were well dressed at the time of their fatal acts. On a nearby table were found a watch, a flashlight, the purse of Mrs. Hatano and a fountain pen.

The couple had made the trip to Karuizawa together with definite plans for ending their lives, according to the contents of six letters in the handwriting of Mr. Arishima which were found at the

MANIA FOR INSURANCE.

Wife Who Took Out 23 Policies.

An unusual application was made at North London Police court when a man of respectable appearance told Mr. Pope, the magistrate, that his wife had a mania for insuring the lives of the different members of the family, and paying the premiums out of the housekeeping money. His wife had taken out no fewer than twenty-three policies, four being on the life of a child of two.

He had protested to the insurance company, but the only reply he had received was an intimation that the premiums must be paid or the money already invested would be lost.

Mr. Pope: You should keep the insurance agent out of your house.

The applicant said the agent called when he was not at home.

The magistrate remarked that no proceedings could be taken in that court. If the applicant alleged that the premiums had been obtained through undue pressure he might bring an action in the County Court for their recovery.

scene of the tragedy. These were addressed to his mother and three children, his sister and brother, Mr. Motoichi Asuke, a publisher; Dr. Kokichi Morimoto, professor at Tohoku Imperial University, and Mr. Harufusa Hatano, husband of Mrs. Hatano.

The letters had been written on the train apparently during the journey to Karuizawa. They indicated that the author was in his right mind at the time and that both he and Mrs. Hatano had entered the death pact after calm deliberation, considering it the only means of ending a delicate situation.

Mr. Arishima and Mrs. Hatano became intimate about six months ago through common interests in authorship. Mrs. Hatano had been helping Mr. Arishima in editing "Spring," a widely read magazine which he had been publishing as a personal enterprise. Both the author and Mrs. Hatano were of high standing in the community and their mutual attraction revealed through their death pact came as a great surprise to their most intimate friends.



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The only signal to be given will be the signal to STOP which will be given by turning the back to the traffic and holding the left arm extended to its full extent in a horizontal position in line with the shoulder.

When traffic that has been stopped can proceed with safety, the Police officer will drop his left arm and step to one side thus allowing the traffic to proceed.

E. D. C. WOLFE, Captain Superintendent of Police. Hongkong, 28th July, 1923.

INDIAN RECREATION CLUB.

THE Committee and Members of the Indian Recreation Club will be "At Home" to their friends on SATURDAY, 4th August, 1923, from 4 to 7 p.m.

D. RUMJAHN, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd August, 1923.

HONGKONG LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION.

THE Shields and medals will be presented to the winning club in the "A" Division of the Tennis League on Saturday August 4th, by Mrs. Grace at the Indian Recreation Club's Ground at Sookanpoo.

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All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on Aug. 9th by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Aug. 10th will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

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IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Monday, the 6th instant.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Philippine Independence

Sir,—Referring to independence for the Philippine Islands, will you kindly permit an American who has been acquainted with those Islands since 1900, and who, incidentally, has not a dollar invested there, to say a few words?

1. It will require two generations more of intensive education before the mass of Filipinos will be as ready for self-government as are the Chinese coolies and farmers to-day.

2. There is not a single Filipino fit morally and mentally to assume the Governorship to-day. This is a fact, amply proved, not a theory.

3. If the United States gives the Philippines their independence, within five years either: (a) Japan will own the Islands or (b) the United States will have to fight Japan to prevent her taking them. Japan in the Philippines will menace China and the Asiatic holdings of Great Britain, France, and Holland. The Islands would be more prosperous under Japan, for they would be settled and exploited. The Philippines would be forced into the coolie class.

4. It would be a crime to force the Moros into subjection to a corrupt Manila government. However, the Moros doubtless would keep their Islands free of Filipinos.

5. The Philippines have always been a millstone around Uncle Sam's neck. He probably would be only too glad to give them to England or to Holland.

In conclusion, may I suggest it would be much more appropriate and sensible for Mr. Watson to advocate the immediate return to China of Shameen and Hongkong?

Yours etc.
AMERICAN.
Canton, August 2nd, 1923.

THE HONGKONG WAY.

A Local Bull-etin

He was in the Hongkong Hotel lounge, about to shake a traveller's thumb—hot day, and no dry law. The writer had his own eleven o'clock third specially developed. We were "introduced" by the coincidence of both ordering a gin fizz.

He had "done" the sights of the Colony. "Say," he drawled. "I guess you have some queer ways of announcing things here. I bought some lacquer goods from a man who had a notice up that he was a 'curious dealer,' and, say, he lived up to it." He nearly drained his glass, then proceeded. "On your cemeteries you notify 'No Bills,' but 'hechuckled,' who would want to present bill's there, anyway?" His shoulders shook for some little time, then:—"But the best joke of all is outside your theatre, where it describes how an ambulance can be quickly summoned! Why, that beats the 'rockies.' Don't shoot the villain, he is not in earnest. Well, I reckon I quite enjoyed my little tour."

He had a keen eye, that man, and possibly a sense of humour.

A PUZZLE A DAY.

A man, making his will, left \$7000 to three servants. The butler had been with him three times as long as the cook and the chauffeur twice as long as the butler. He divided the \$7000 in proportion to each servant's length of service. How much did each get? Yesterday's answer:

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To turn this revolutionary conception into hard strategic and commercial fact, all that is wanted is a man and a machine. The man has appeared; his machine has, indeed been specially built and equipped and is not likely to be standardised, but the standard machine is on its way. Engineering thought has shifted of late from the engine to the hull, and experiments with gliders have begun to reveal the capacities of the aeroplane apart from its motor. Now the engineers have gone back with their new knowledge to the engine, and are evolving a type of aeroplane in which the hull and motor work together. As is always the case when there is real progress everything dovetails in, and it is not an accident that Amundsen's final preparations coincide with the successful trial of the Wren-Overser.

WHAT TO DO WHEN BABY CANNOT SLEEP.

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ATTACK BY ANTS.

Myriads Storm a House.

Truth is invariably stranger than fiction, but it is surprising to find that "Transactions of the Entomological Society" more dramatic than the Capek Brothers insect play.

By the courtesy of the Secretary of the Society the *Daily News* quotes the following description of the horrors of an ant raid in Tanganyika territory.

Mr. Loveridge, the writer of the letter, has a house near Kilosa, and on July 3 he discovered that he was being raided by sasu, or red driven ants.

These ants are raiders, they seek their prey by scent, as they are entirely blind. The soldier of the species is distinguished by its enormous square head and powerful jaws.

At 8 a.m., writes Mr. Loveridge, "we were being invaded by sasu, who were entering the stonework base of the house at half a dozen different points."

Beetles were flying before the advancing host with one or more of the red furries attacked to their hind legs. Wretched crickets and small grasshoppers were being dragged off, feebly waving the one or two legs that remained to them. My pet jumping spiders cleared for their lives with prodigious leaps.

Soldier sentries were stationed at intervals along the lines of the column, waiting with the forepart of the body raised and widely open jaws for any disturbers.

CREMATED IN HEAPS. Mr. Loveridge swept back the columns in heaps, cremated them with paraffin, put paper soaked with prussic acid in their hole, and believed that he had stopped the raid.

But at 9 p.m. that evening he became conscious of a strange noise. The white-washed walls of his bedroom were a moving mass of ants; the sound was made by the feet of the countless multitude.

The raid continued the next day, and at 8 p.m. a stream of ants, six or eight ants wide, was seen going straight up the verandah wall beneath the roof. In spite of his placing the legs of his bedstead in pans of water, the ants reached him. They threw a bridge composed of living ants across the waterpans, over which the infantry columns crossed.

CROCODILES ATTACKED. The invaders attacked the pot crocodiles, the tortoises, and killed a nest of young rats. "It made me shudder," says the writer, "to think of the awful death scores of small creatures were dying." He himself was driven from the house by ants swarming up his legs.

The soft-shelled land tortoises suffered badly one having its eyelids eaten.

Hot ashes, cyanide powder, meat baits, and fire were employed against the horde, but on July 7 the besieged were horrified to see ants arriving in countless thousands in every direction from east and south. Thirty steady streams were moving on the house.

Grass was fired in their tracks, and they were driven underground.

By 10 p.m. the raid was over. Not a single sasu was found in the house, though they could be heard in the dry grass 30ft. away.

"The discipline and organization of the army," says Mr. Loveridge, "were beyond reproach."

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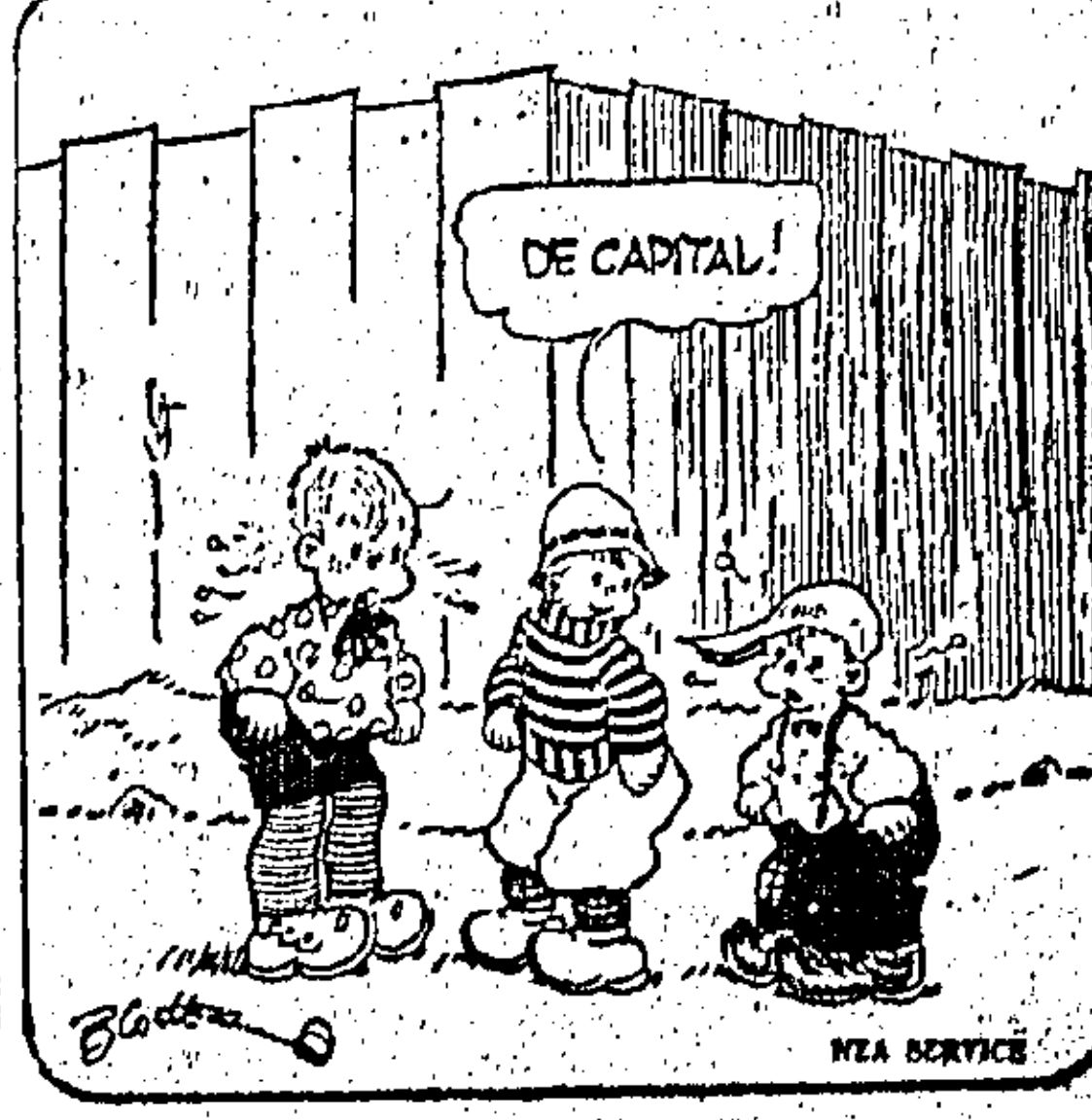
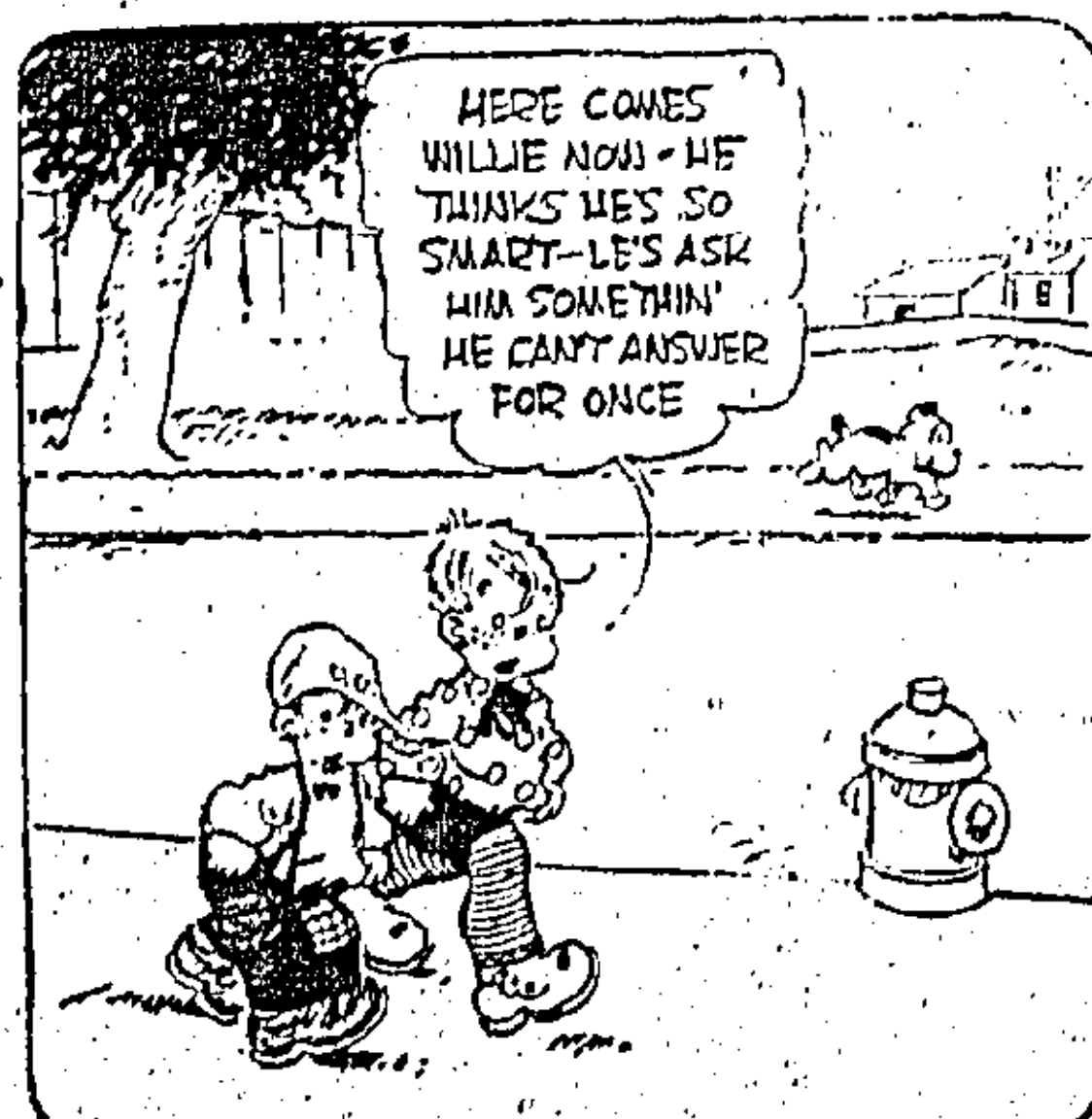
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OUR AMATEUR
PHOTOGRAPHERS.

Elsewhere in this issue, we give some particulars of the Hongkong Amateur Photographic Society. Until a few days ago, we were unaware of the existence of such an organisation here. Probably to-day's news will be the first intimation to many of our readers that such a Society existed. Apparently it came into being last October, but it has lacked publicity. Despite this fact it has even now a membership of over sixty. If it is run on proper lines, and can come more into prominence, there is no reason why that number should not in course of time be increased ten-fold.

From the scenic point of view, there are few places in the world which can give greater scope to artistic photography than Hongkong. We have here, within easy reach, the seaside, pastoral scenery, the mountainside, and pretty bits of river—in short, almost every type of scenery. Then there is the ordinary workaday life of this busy port, which provides ample opportunity for "studies" of another order. Not only have we the scenery; we have the amateur photographers, too. We suppose nearly every European here has tried his hand with the camera at one time or another, to say nothing of the large number of Chinese who are becoming increasingly interested in photography as a hobby. Some of our amateurs, too, are adepts at the work. We have seen in Hongkong some specimens of work which would grace any photographic exhibition anywhere.

With the facts thus, there is every reason why Hongkong should possess a strong and active amateur photographic society, representative of all sections of the community. Apart from the social intercourse which would result, amateurs would by banding themselves together get a better insight into their work and learn how to secure the best results from their efforts. Instead of merely confining their energies to "pressing the button" and leaving the professional photographer to do the rest, they would get to know the subject from the practical standpoint and by exchange of ideas learn to perfect themselves

in the art of picture-taking. The existing Society is apparently open to all nationalities, though at present it is mainly run by a little band of Chinese enthusiasts. We should like to see it grow into a bigger organisation, with adequate club rooms, and we trust that the publicity now being given it, together with the forthcoming exhibition, will help somewhat towards the attainment of this end.

Unemployment in Britain.

The unemployment problem in Britain is, unhappily, still a serious one for the Government, and for the whole community. A difficult winter is ahead, with but little prospect of improvement. A million unemployed will be the heritage of the year 1924, and how many the following year will have passed on to it, one cannot tell. The policy of hastening various works by Government departments, in order to provide employment for part of the big army of out-of-jobs, is being continued, and in several other directions it is being shown that the authorities are tackling the problem to the best of their ability. The whole business is a legacy of the war, and the main remedy will be in a proper peace. Sir C. Barlow has stated in the House of Commons that he hoped the peace at Lausanne would result in an industrial boom, "but the ultimate solution of the problem would largely depend on the restoration of the economic and industrial peace of Europe." He is something of an optimist as regards the after-effects of Lausanne on trade—it is not likely that the probable improvement in commerce will amount to a boom. When he speaks of the rest of Europe (with, of course, particular reference to Central Europe) he touches the spot, so to speak. It is a fever spot, and the physicians who are at present holding a consultation over it do not seem able to agree as to the proper course of treatment. The patient's chances of recovery continue to be somewhat remote.

A Reverie at Dawn.

It is a great pleasure to be able to rise at five o'clock in the morning when one has "turned in" early the previous night and has slept well. On the other hand, when duty or other circumstances have obliged a late retirement to bed it is almost maddening to be roused, and kept awake, in the still somewhat wee sma' hours. A correspondent, referring to previous comments we have made on the noises of Hongkong, suggests that we omitted a very important cause of broken rest—cock-crow-ing. It was not long ago that a ban was laid on the cockerels of London, whose competitive crowing at dawn had disturbed the rest of weary thousands of city dwellers. Perhaps it requires the instincts of a country-bred soul to appreciate the challenge of chanticleer, even if heard at a distance, and when it becomes a matter of close quarters the annoyance can be grave. In Hongkong there are blocks of flats where a few apparently misguided tenants have fowls confined to a small backyard, and the neighbourhood becomes one of hideous noise at times. The worst of it is that a cockerel does not give one bit less annoyance than the brass-throated rooster, and that neither confines its performance to actual dawn. Whether the tides really affect the hour of cock-crow is a matter of some dispute. Certainly we have heard chanticleer commence even shortly after midnight. A minor genius—and possibly a benefactor of his fellow men—has suggested the following remedy:—Place a bar over the perch, low enough to prevent the rooster rising to his full height, and stretching his neck when he wants to crow, and he will be effectively checked. This somewhat recalls to mind the alleged practice of tying a brick to a donkey's tail in order to prevent it braying; but nevertheless we pass the idea on to local tenants who are so inconsiderate as to keep roosters, but who might yet desire to spare their neighbours the agony of broken slumber.

FROM BAD TO WORSE.
The guest had outstayed her welcome. In fact the hostess was in despair, and began to think she would never have her house to herself again. She decided to drop a gentle hint. "Don't your husband and children miss you dreadfully?" she asked. "Yes! How kind of you to think of it!" said the delighted guest. "I'll send for them at once."

DAY BY DAY.

TO INSIST ON AScribing COMPLEX RESULTS TO SINGLE CAUSES IS THE WELL-KNOWN VICIOUS CIRCLE OF NARROW AND UNTRAINED MINDS. Morley.

The meeting of the Legislative Council arranged for the 9th. of August has been postponed sine die.

According to a report from Canton, owing to military necessities on the East River front, the commandeering of coolies have again begun.

Those who have not yet seen the Coronet's wonderful wild animal picture, "Hunting Big Game in Africa," have only to-day in which to do so, as it is to be shown to-night for the last time.

Attention is drawn to the fact that Messrs. Lammert Bros' sale of furniture and linen at Kings-olers is to take place on Wednesday next, instead of Tuesday as previously advertised. The goods will be on view from Tuesday.

A report from Canton states that the Committee of the General Chamber of Commerce are opposed to the proposed capital tax and that they have sent the official communication on the subject back to the Provincial Treasurer.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will include two photographs taken at the wedding of Captain Lane and Miss Normington; a picture of the late Mr. Chan Kai-ming's tomb at Aberdeen; a group of corporals of the King's Battalion; and other pictures of general interest.

In the early hours of this morning, a young Chinese woman, named Au Ho, attempted to take her life by jumping into the harbour. She chose the Wing Lok Street wharf from which to make the fatal jump, but was seen and promptly rescued. She suffered from the effects of the immersion, however, and was sent by the police to the Government Civil Hospital.

The police are looking for Mr. A. W. McMillan, whose evidence is necessary in a case in which a Chinese is alleged to have stolen a fountain pen. This pen, which has been recovered, was said to have been taken from Mr. McMillan's pocket. In the publication of the capture, the Indian constable took Mr. McMillan's name but not his address. The alleged theft occurred in Hillier Street yesterday.

That he endeavoured to wrench a watch from the wrist of a Chinese who was taking a nap under the verandah was the charge brought against a caddie at the Police Court this morning. The defendant pleaded that if he had such dishonest instincts he could have practised these on the property of his numerous employers. The Magistrate adjourned the case to enable the police to seek out the No. 1 caddie with a view to obtaining a pronouncement on the moral character, generally, of the defendant.

EAST RIVER CAMPAIGN.

Sun's Forces Claim
Victory.

A brilliant victory was scored by the Constitutionalists on the 26th. ult. (says the Canton Daily News) when a relief expedition of the enemy was surprised and utterly routed by a section of Gen. Hsu Chung-chi's troops at Pakmangfa with the result that 800 men were taken prisoners and 2,000 rifles captured. Pakmangfa was captured on the same day.

The relief expedition was under Gen. Hung Loh, a staunch supporter of Chan King-ming. It was the intention of the enemy to take the offensive and attack Gen. Hsu's men on the 28th, with the hope of breaking through the Constitutional line and relieve the siege of Waichow. Commander Chang Mun-tah, under Gen. Hsu, having learned the enemy's plan surprised the enemy by launching an attack upon the enemy forces a day earlier with the gratifying result reported.

A report received from other quarters states that General Chan King-ming's forces have captured Pei Ngo Ling and Pok Lo city.

AMERICAN GETS SIX MONTHS.

The Kowloon Arms
Running Case.

Erwin Nelson, 20, a quarter-master employed on the Admiral Oriental liner President McKinley, appeared on remand before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, charged with being in possession of two revolvers and 47 rounds of ammunition without a permit from the Captain Superintendent of Police. The further discovery of five other revolvers and a quantity of cartridges on the President McKinley, which occurred as a development of the arrest of the defendant at Kimberley Road, Kowloon, was not included in the charge, and, in reply to the Magistrate, Inspector Spear said that the charge remained the same as it was first drawn up.

Referring to an application from the Captain Superintendent of Police that the case might be made one for committal to the Supreme Court, the Magistrate said he had decided since yesterday to deal with the case himself. Consequently after the formal plea of not guilty had been put in by the defendant, the examination of the witnesses was proceeded with.

Chinese constable Chan Koon-yau deposed that he received information at 9.05 Tuesday night which led him to go to Austin Road. Ten minutes elapsed, and then he saw two rickshas coming up the road from Nathan Road. He stopped the first of these, with a view to making a search, and was engaged in a conversation with the occupant, a Chinese, when the occupant of the second ricksha jumped out before his ricksha was brought to a standstill. Witness left the Chinese to run after this man, who was the defendant.

The chase turned out to be a long one. The defendant ran towards Austin Avenue, and as he ran he asked his pursuer "What is the matter?" At Kimberley Road, he dropped arms and ammunition to one side of the roadway. Witness then fired his revolver into the air, and blew his whistle. The third shot was aimed at the defendant's feet, but it missed the mark. Altogether six shots were fired by the witness.

At Kimberley Road, continued the witness, a European came to his assistance and the defendant was secured. Witness turned the prisoner over to an Indian constable while he himself went to look for the arms which he saw discarded. The European had asked him "What is the matter, has there been an armed robbery?" Witness replied that a European carried arms and ammunition and had discarded them on the roadway. The first of the revolvers was found somewhere near No. 6 Austin Avenue, near a side channel. The second was picked up close to the side-channel, near No. 8. The cartridges were discovered by the European who had come to witness's assistance.

Examined by Inspector Spear, the constable said that he did call upon the defendant to "stop" in English.

What became of the man in the first ricksha?—I left him to chase defendant and did not see him after that.

Defendant:—I want to ask the witness if he saw me throw them away?

Witness:—The defendant did not throw the two revolvers deliberately. Apparently they dropped out from his belt.

His Worship:—How did you know they dropped?—I could see. It was a moonlight night and there was also the light from the street lamps.

His Worship:—I hope this man had been instructed that he had no right to fire at him.

Inspector Spear to whom the remark was addressed, replied that such instructions had been given.

His Worship remarked to the witness that he had no right to use his revolver. If he had hit the defendant, he would have been charged.

Witness replied that he had no intention of hitting the defendant. He fired to frighten the man and make him stop.

Mr. E. C. Boll whose residence, No. 3a, Armand Villas, looks out on Kimberley Road, told the Court that on the night in question he heard revolver shots, followed by the police whistles. The whistles continued to be blown and he went out to the street. He had gone a few yards down the road toward

BATHING BEACHES.

Stonemason's Sheds
Replaced.

We are informed that the matbeds at Stonemason's have been replaced, and that the beach will be again available to the public as from to-morrow. With regard to the beaches at North Point and Kennedy Town, these are at present being used by some people, although the repairs are not yet completed. However, there is now no reason why they should not come into general use.

Austin Avenue when he saw a person whom he identified to be the defendant, running from Austin Avenue, into Kimberley Road. He intercepted him and further progress being barred by the witness, defendant stopped. On being asked what the matter was, defendant told witness that somebody was chasing him.

Continuing, witness told the Court that he thought the action of a European in running away from the direction of revolver shots was rather peculiar. He therefore searched the defendant, being assisted by two other Europeans, one of whom had come from the Blue Funnel Club. The Chinese detective then came up, and defendant, in reply to a question he anxiously put, was assured by witness that he need not be worried about not receiving a square deal. The Chinese detective mentioned something about guns, and they proceeded up the roadway to look for these. After a distance of 50 yards had been traversed, they were joined by two Indian constables. Witness understood that two revolvers were found. At least he saw the Chinese detective pick up something from the roadside. They made a further search in the vicinity for any other articles, and he eventually found a packet of cartridges.

The driver of a ricksha, who was the next witness called, said he took a man, whom he recognised as the accused, from the Star Ferry at about 9.15 p.m., on instructions to drive to Canton Road. Another ricksha was engaged by a Chinese who was with the defendant. He took the fare as far as the football ground, when they were stopped by a constable. The constable wanted to search the defendant, but he jumped out of the ricksha and ran away.

Inspector Spear:—Will this witness say what was the exact spot where defendant engaged his ricksha?

Witness:—He came out from the gate which led into the grounds.

Inspector Spear at this stage was going to put in evidence in regard to the later seizure of arms made by the police at 130 the following morning on the receipt of information from the detective, when his Worship ruled out this evidence. It was alleged that the second lot of arms was discovered in the cabin the defendant shared with another quarter-master. This quarter-master had sailed with the ship. "You have to have his evidence. Without him this evidence could not be proved," his Worship said.

In the witness box, Erwin Nelson said that he was riding in a ricksha and was at Austin Road at that time because he was on his way to a house of ill-fame. He was alone, and had no ammunition or arms in his possession. He ran because a Chinaman was running after him.

His Worship:—Have you any witnesses you would like to call?—All my witnesses are gone, on the ship.

His Worship:—Erwin Nelson, I don't believe you when you tell me that the arms were not in your possession. I am convinced that you were smuggling arms on that night, that you were surprised and ran away, and that you got rid of the arms as you ran. The matter is a very serious matter for Hongkong—arms being smuggled here. I have to deal seriously with these people, especially with people connected with ships, because they have special opportunities of smuggling arms here. Yours is not the first case I have dealt with. I have had cases from ships of the same line and other ships, and in each case have imposed sentences of imprisonment. The case against you has been proved. You are sentenced to imprisonment for six months with hard labour, and the arms are confiscated. I think the thanks of the public are due to you, Mr. Boll.

AMOY FIGHTING.

NAVY'S SUCCESS.

Reported Capture of City.

The latest report in connection with the situation at Amoy is that the city has been compelled to surrender to the naval forces.

The Wah Yee Yat Po, a Hongkong vernacular paper, states that it has received telegraphic information to the effect that the capture was accomplished by the cruisers of the Northern Squadron.

It is stated that Chang Tse-ping has fled to Cheungchow.

A further report is that Wong Winc-chuen's forces have captured Cheungchow.

A special telegram in the Morning Post states that some damage was done on the 1st instant to the Singau Railway Station by firing from the naval boats, but this was not great, owing to Admiral Fang taking care not to damage the Standard Oil Company's installation.

H. M. S. Diomed arrived at Amoy yesterday morning.

A Peking telegram in the Daily Bulletin states—Report from Amoy indicates that Admiral Yang requested the foreign Consuls to ask their nationals to leave, in view of the necessity of attacking the city, but the request was refused.

BASEBALL.

Two Games for To-morrow.

The first game of the Hongkong Baseball League will be played on Saturday when the Chinese and the Portuguese teams meet. The match will be preceded by a game between a strong combination from the U.S.S. Pampanga and the South China A.A.

Both games will be played at the Happy Valley ground, the first beginning at three o'clock sharp and the second at five o'clock. This will be the first double-header ever played in Hongkong since baseball was started.

LAWN TENNIS.

The I.R.C. Tournament.

The above tournament was completed yesterday when the final of the Singles Handicap was played off. The finalists were O. Ismail (over 15) and A. L. Rumjahn (scr.), the youngest player in the tournament. The match began last week when, after a most strenuous struggle, A. L. Rumjahn led 4-6; 6-4; 6-2 and 2-1 in the 4th set falling light, prevailed. On the resumption, he took the four games necessary to win without losing any. The final scores were A. L. Rumjahn beat O. Ismail 4-6; 6-4; 6-2; 6-1.

Doubles Handicap.

In the final of the Doubles Handicap, S. A. Rumjahn and S. O. Bux (scr.) beat S. A. Hussain and A. G. Mahomed (scr.) 9-7; 6-4; 7-5.

THICK-SKINNED.

Teacher: "Tommy, your knickers are disgraceful. Ask your mother the next time she patches them to use a different material."

Tommy: "Garn! That's not a patch—that's me!"

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Your mother can help you and give you a hand
Through lots of your troublesome flurries,
But there are some matters she can't understand,
Some boyish masculine worries;
And that's what your Dad's for, young fellow. You'll find
He's wise to the world, never doubt it;
Whenever you've got such a thing on your mind,
Go talk to your father about it.

You may have decided he's "clear out of date!"
A quite mid-Victorian foggy.
Who can't understand what you have to relate,
Whose mind with tradition is loggy;
But try him, young fellow; just seek him and spill
Your trouble; be sure he won't flout it.
For Dad was a boy once, he's been through the mill,
So—talk to your father about it!

The Governor's wiser to you than you know;
Don't think you can easily fool him;
He's travelled the roads you are likely to go
And life has been aiding to school him;
Go talk to him, sonny, as man unto man,
He'll hark to your tale as you apout it,
And help you as only another man can,
So—go and tell father about it!

LAST NIGHT'S RADIO.

A Disappointing Demonstration.

Hongkong had its first sample of broadcasting last evening—and it was a very poor one. The demonstration was given at the Volunteer Headquarters, under the auspices of the Hongkong Radio Society, by Mr. E. G. Osborn, manager of the National Radio Administration, Ltd., with apparatus which he is taking to Manila for installation there.

Attracted by the novelty, a large gathering assembled, the hall being full to overflowing. The majority present were under the impression that the transmitting was being done from the Post Office, as had been arranged, but in point of fact it was done from an ante-room adjoining the hall—only a mere matter of some twenty yards away. Yet, in spite of this fact, the broadcasting was far from satisfactory. The demonstration began with a few remarks sent through the apparatus by Mr. J. H. Donithorne, President of the local Radio Society. So indistinct was the reproduction that we have not the faintest idea as to what he said, and, so far as identification of the speaker is concerned, we should not have known who was doing the talking had we not been informed after the demonstration was over.

Then came a number of "musical" items broadcasted from the gramophone. These included both vocal and instrumental selections. The best that can be said of these is that it was possible to identify the tunes, but so far as clarity of note was concerned, the selections were fifty per cent. worse than bad gramophone reproduction. The whole programme, in fact, vividly reminded us of the demonstrations given by the old type of phonograph when it first made its appearance.

We should not like to think that last night's demonstration was a good example of the possibilities of radio broadcasting. If we thought that this is the best that can be expected locally, we should at once advise the Hongkong Radio Society to dissolve and recommend all local amateurs to scrap their sets. We however, feel certain that what we heard last night was a very poor imitation of the real thing. When we read of 100,000 people in the United Kingdom and several thousands on the Continent simultaneously listening-in to the music of "Polly," as was the case recently, we cannot imagine their experience bearing the least resemblance to what we heard last night. What is more, if this is the best that the apparatus can do from a range of twenty yards, then we must regard Mr. Osborn as a real optimist if he expects Hongkong to hear the Manila Constabulary Band through its agency.

To sum up, in common with most of those present last night we were deeply disappointed at the demonstration, and we sincerely hope that the Government will not regard the irritating noises produced last evening as a fair sample of what broadcasting really is.

HAD ITS POINTS.

The prim maiden lady thought a parrot would be nice company in her lonely villa, so she sallied forth to buy one. "Does this parrot swear much?" she asked the dealer as an afterthought, before finally settling on the bird of her fancy. "No, madam," said the man, rubbing his hands reassuringly; "but what swears he does know is very clear."

FOOTBALL.

King's Platoon Competition.

Typhoon weather interfered with the progress of this Competition on Friday and Saturday of last week, no matches being played on those days.

No. 1 Group played No. 10 Platoon on Sunday afternoon, and, after making a good show in the first half, "C" Coy's men fell away and lost by 4 goals to 1.

On Monday afternoon, No. 3 Group unexpectedly beat No. 6 Platoon by 2 goals to 1, and on the same afternoon No. 2 Group recorded 7 clear goals against No. 3 Platoon, this being the highest score of the competition.

On Tuesday, No. 11 Platoon obtained "C" Coy's only point of the week by playing a drawn game of one goal each with No. 13 Platoon; and No. 4 Group beat No. 16 Platoon 3-0, after a hard struggle.

Wednesday afternoon produced two exciting matches. In the first game No. 1 Platoon beat No. 12 by 2 goals to nil in a game which was fast throughout. No. 1 Platoon owe their win to the bustling tactics of their forwards, who kept the opposing defence busy from beginning to end. The second match of the evening, between Nos. 4 and 14 Platoons proved very interesting and was thoroughly enjoyed by a good crowd. No. 4 Platoon obtained the lead soon after the interval, but their defence could not hold out against the hot pace set by No. 14 Platoon's forwards. The equalising goal came from a corner kick, the ball being headed through, well out of the goal-keepers reach.

Last night the two bottom teams played, No. 8 Platoon beating No. 15 Platoon by 2 goals to nil; and No. 2 Platoon going down to No. 5 by the odd goal in three.

No. 2 Group now require one more point to make certain of the Championship, and No. 8 Platoon are making a good attempt to escape from the bottom place.

H. Q. Wing obtained full points from their matches this week towards the Battalion Cup and "C" Coy, who were their nearest rivals, only obtained one point from three matches.

League Table.

	P	W	D	L	Goals for	Goals against
No. 2 Group	16	13	1	0	41	9
No. 1 Group	15	10	3	2	35	15
No. 5 Platoon	17	9	4	5	32	20
No. 4 Group	14	9	3	2	37	13
No. 10 Platoon	16	8	4	4	20	15
No. 11 Platoon	16	7	5	4	27	15
No. 9 Platoon	16	8	3	4	26	17
No. 14 Platoon	16	5	7	4	21	16
No. 1 Platoon	16	5	5	6	21	17
No. 13 Platoon	16	5	6	5	16	15
No. 12 Platoon	17	4	8	5	17	16
No. 3 Platoon	16	5	5	6	17	15
No. 6 Platoon	16	6	2	8	24	24
No. 15 Platoon	16	4	4	8	13	27
No. 3 Group	16	5	1	10	17	31
No. 4 Platoon	16	3	4	9	17	25
No. 16 Platoon	16	2	6	8	11	26
No. 7 Platoon	15	3	3	9	14	24
No. 2 Platoon	16	3	3	10	8	30
No. 8 Platoon	16	3	1	12	13	41

Week's Results.

This week's results are as follows:—

No.	No.
1 Group 4;	10 Platoon 1.
2 Group 2;	6 Platoon 1.
3 Group 7;	3 Platoon 0.
11 Platoon 1;	13 Platoon 1
4 Group 3;	16 Platoon 0.
1 Platoon 2;	12 Platoon 0.
4 Platoon 1;	14 Platoon 1.
5 Platoon 2;	2 Platoon 1.
8 Platoon 2;	15 Platoon 0.

Points to Date.

Points obtained towards Battalion Football Cup:—	
Headquarter Wing...	86
"C" Company...	74
"D" Company...	55
"B" Company...	52
"A" Company...	51

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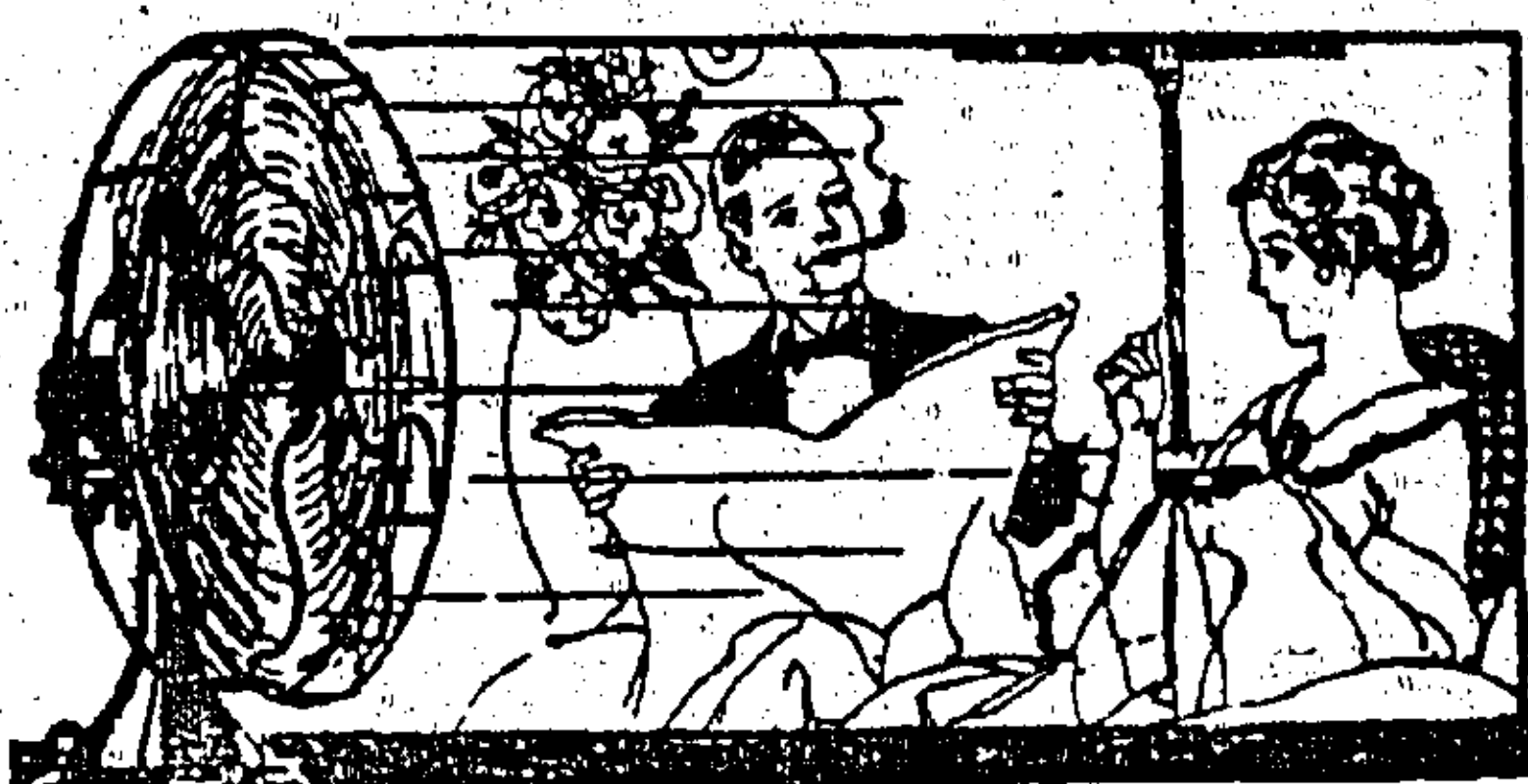
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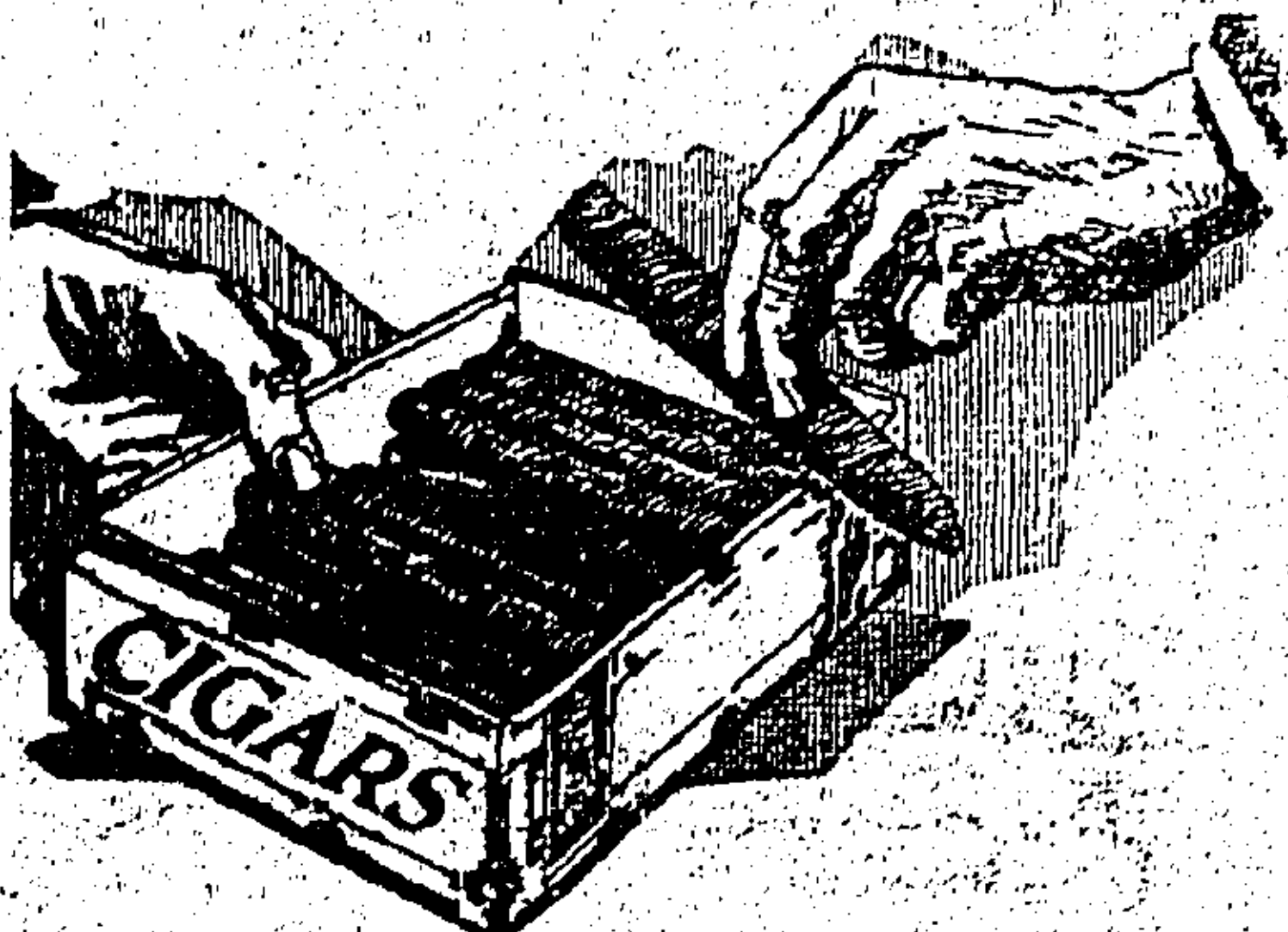
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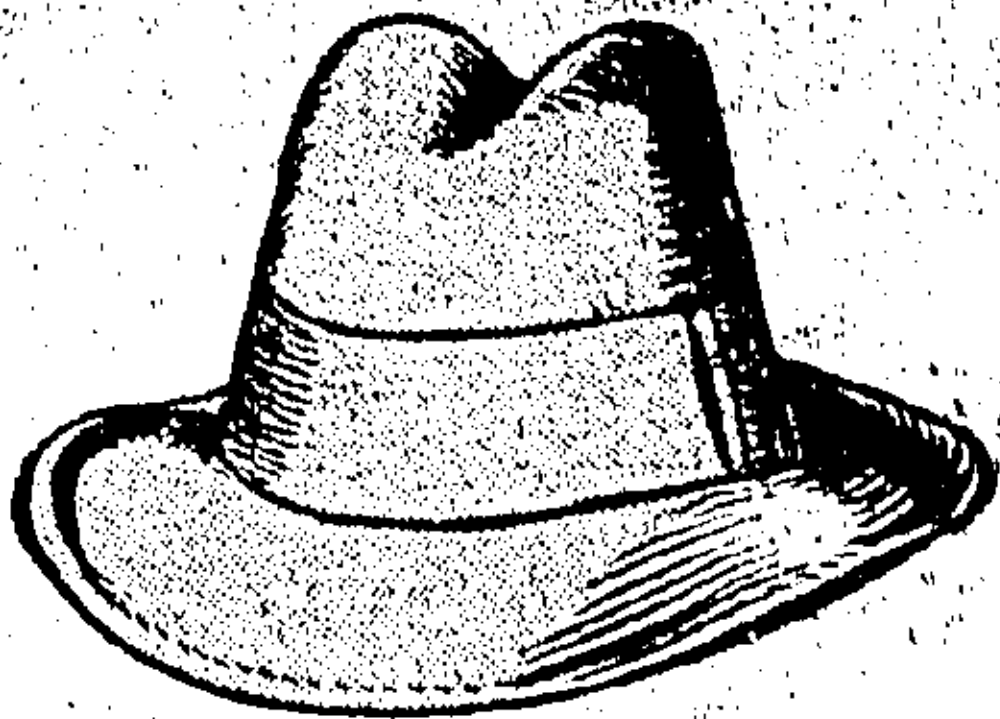
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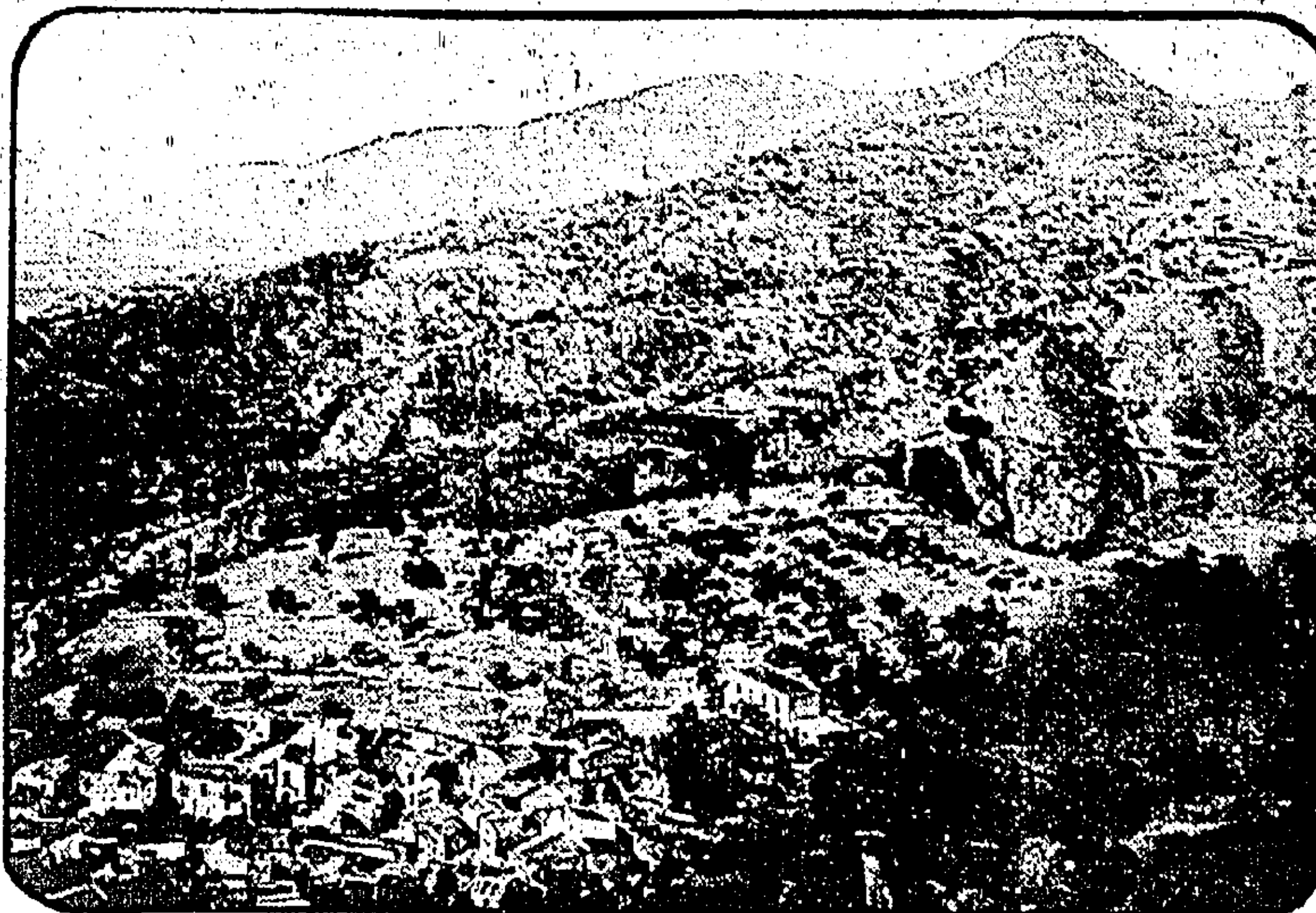


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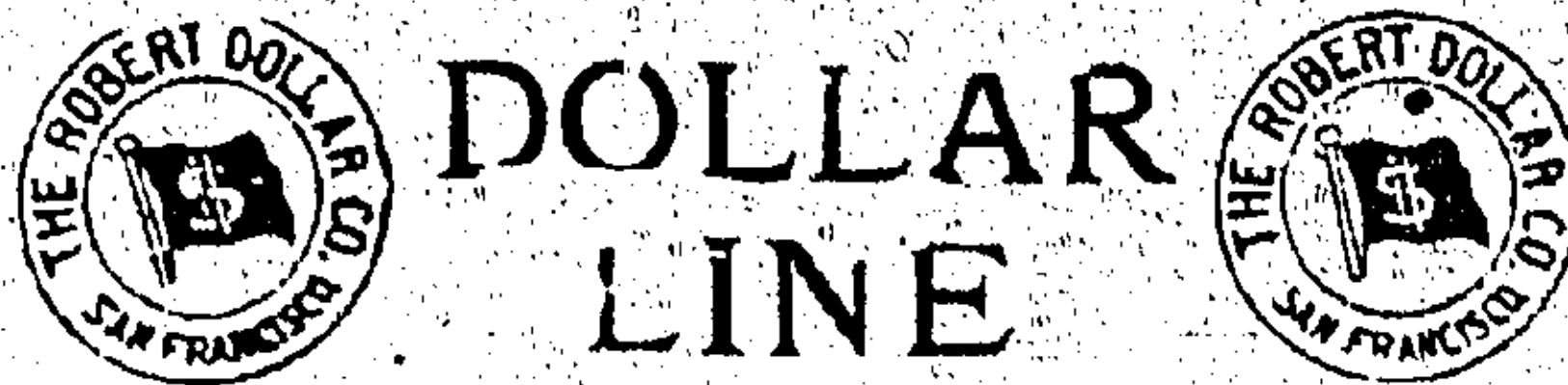
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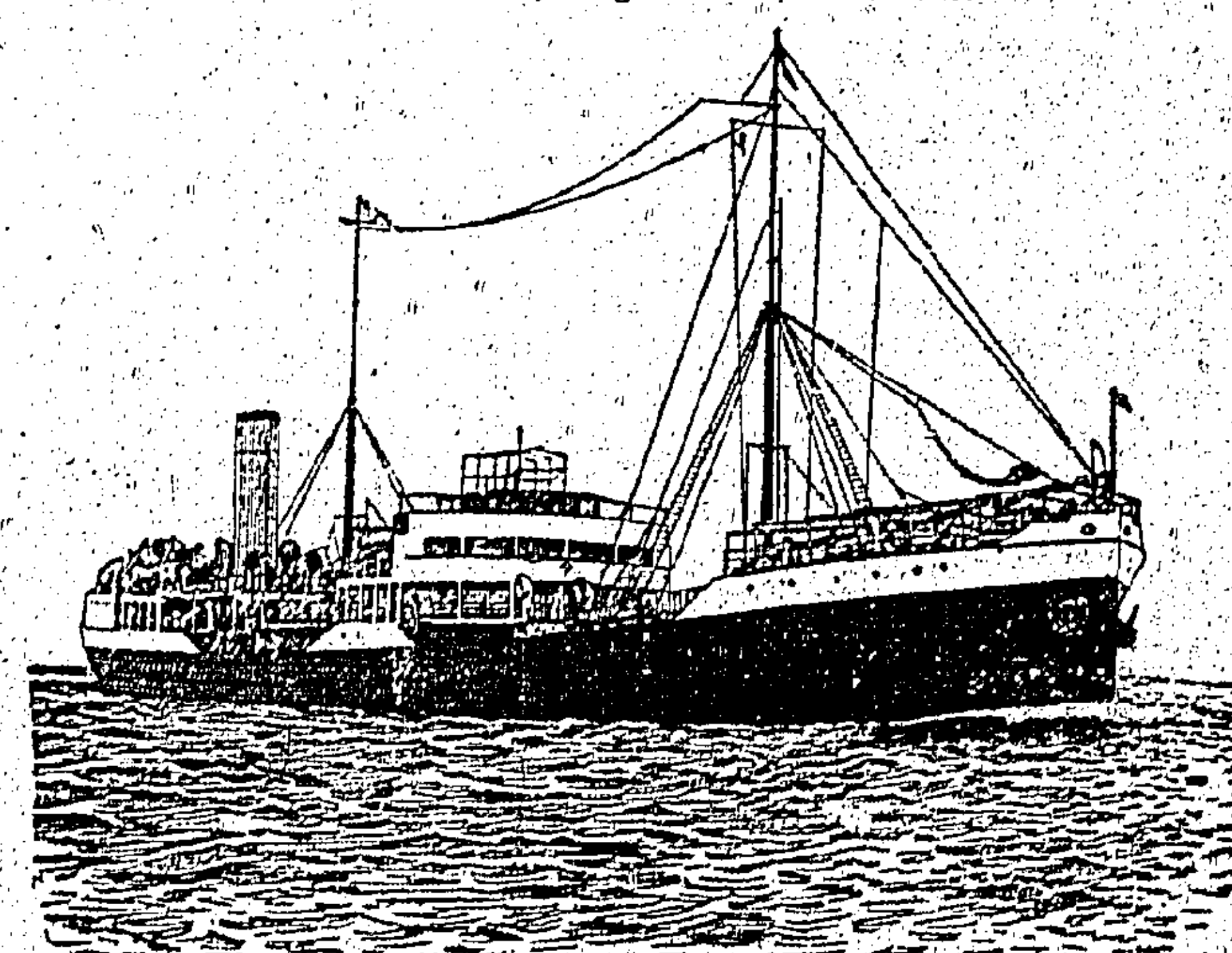
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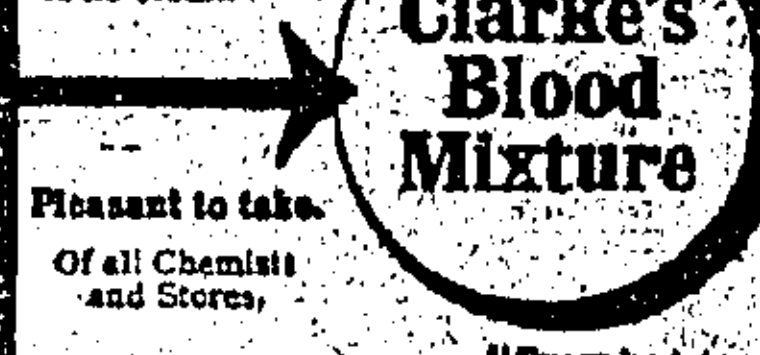
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ASHMIR	8,960	22nd Aug.	M'les, Gib., L'don & A'warp
CILIA	6,813	28th Aug.	Spore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay

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S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
NUS	4,874	29th Aug.	Spore, Penang & Calcutta
PAN	6,052	2nd Sept.	Spore, Penang & Calcutta

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NUS	4,874	6th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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PAN	6,052	10th Aug.	Yokohama
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EMBROKESHIRE	30th Aug.	Canarvonshire	14th Aug.
LENLUCE	10th Sept.	Olenbeg	29th Aug.
LENODLE	20th Sept.	Olenbeg	29th Aug.

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REKOR	—	6th Aug.	—
AMBRO	—	20th Aug.	—
LECAT	—	3rd Sept.	—
DRELEBON	13th July	17th Aug.	17th Sept.
BOISE	27th July	28th Aug.	1st Oct.
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SUWA MARU ... Wednesday, 29th Aug. at 11 a.m.

MAMBOUR via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

MATSUYE MARU ... First half Sept.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

DARBAN MARU ... First half Sept.

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TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 19th Sept.

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HAKODATE MARU ... Friday, 10th Aug.

WAKASA MARU ... Monday, 27th Aug.

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TANGO MARU ... Saturday, 18th Aug.

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MORIOKA MARU ... Monday, 6th Aug.

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Destination	Steamer	Sailing
MANILA	Mingsang	Fri. 3rd Aug. at 3 p.m.
KOBE via Moji	Laisang	Sat. 4th Aug. at noon.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Yatsing	Sun. 5th Aug. at 9 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Kwaisang	Mon. 6th Aug. at 2 p.m.
BANGKOK via Hoihow	Chunsang	Tues. 7th Aug. at 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Esang	Thurs. 9th Aug. at noon.
TIENTSIN	Cheongshing	Tues. 7th Aug. at 2 p.m.
T'AO via S'ow & S'hai	Loksang	Wed. 8th Aug. at 11 a.m.
KOBE via Moji	Fooksang	Fri. 10th Aug. at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Loesang	Fri. 10th Aug. at 8 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Hosang	Sat. 11th Aug. at 3 p.m.
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SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Fri. 24th Aug. at 4 p.m.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 28th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd. prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 13th. prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 3rd. prox. at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by

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Hongkong, 28th. July, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th. July, 1923, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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The Steamship

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Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be counter-signed.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on Aug. 7th at the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Aug. 7th. will be subject to rent.

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TO-DAY'S
MISCELLANY.

There is a good story in the Grierson biography of the great soldier's absorption in his profession. He was asked on some occasion whether he was not lonely. "Only," he cried, "lonely with the Army List to read." But that can be matched in politics. It used to be said that Lord Rosebery at the Foreign Office lunched regularly off "a biscuit and a Blue Book," and that Sir Herbert Samuel devoured Blue Books while waiting for his train on the Underground. Dilke boasted that he read Blue Books for pleasure, and in letters, there was the monumental saying of Buckle: "One of the most interesting dictionaries I have ever read."

Herr Franz Weddin of Berlin claims that he has deciphered a 20,000-year old story from an inscription on the Bohusland rocks on the Swedish coast. The story says: "The Lugiers, who were the ancestors of the Germans and Scandinavians, visited the Americas and founded the Inca Empire. They knew that the earth was a sphere and explored the Nile before the Egyptian civilization had invented writing, and they made the first ploughs and wagons." Famine devastated the land, while they were in Sweden, and they crossed the Baltic Sea and entered Germany in order to colonize that land. They described the land as of many horses. The people remaining behind sent an expedition to Asia through the Behring Sea."

There is a marked diminution in the quantity of fish caught at the Dogger Bank fishing grounds in the North Sea. The Dogger Bank shows undoubted signs of exhaustion, and that they have to be trawled for three or four hours, and sometimes six, before getting a satisfactory catch. For generations it has been the centre of the North Sea fishing operations and the leading fishing bank of the North Sea, whence the bulk of the fish for the United Kingdom are caught. It is impossible to estimate the enormous wealth of the countless hauls made from it, and should the bank prove exhausted it will be a serious loss to the fish industry of England. It is not definitely known why there is such a scarcity of fishing at the Dogger Bank, but some skippers attribute it to mines and sea battles in the recent war, while others believe that it is merely a natural result of an over-trawled area or that the fish have merely changed their quarters.

The preacher was an earnest man, but he was not above the sweet uses of advertisement. Thus it happened that at a revival meeting for "coloured gentlemen" it was agreed that when the preacher thought the excitement was at its highest he should give a signal to the sexton to throw down a white dove through a hole which had been specially cut in the roof above the pulpit for that purpose. When the eventful day arrived the church was packed, and the preacher, taking for his text the words "Like a dove," worked his audience up to a rare pitch of enthusiasm. "Like a dove!" he shouted at the top of his voice, and at the same time rapped on the pulpit to warn the sexton that the time for the theatrical effect had come. After a short interval the audience was surprised and not a little amused to see a cat being lowered from the roof by a rope tied round its body. "What's the dove?" the preacher called out. "Inside the cat!" was the muffled response from above.

SHAKESPEARE FOR THE PRISON.

Hope for Day of No Gaols.

How occupants of his Majesty's prisons now have a chance of studying Shakespeare was mentioned, as an illustration of the more humane regime now in operation, by Commander Talbot, R.N., a prison governor, in speaking on behalf of the St. Giles Christian Mission at the annual meeting at the Mansion House. Prisoners in some cases, he said, instead of being locked up in solitary confinement at half past four, might go to classes for the study of Shakespeare, conducted by kindly visitors. They might learn to study a part, and even take it with them to the cell. He actually hoped to see the day when prisons would be still further reduced in number, if not done away with altogether.

Judge Atherley-Jones quoted statistics from the Prison Commissioners' report to show that people were still being sent to prison who should not be there. He said the public hardly realized that although imprisonment for debt was supposed to have been done away with, of the 56,000 prisoners received in gaols last year 9,367 were debtors and 15,000 others were committed to prison for non-payment of fines for playing football in the streets and other such petty offences, and 13,000 of the offenders were refused time in which to pay their fines. That really meant that the State had to support them in prison, while they were actually being prevented from doing the work, if it offered, by which they might be enabled to pay. Furthermore, 3,590 young persons under 21 were sent to prison last year for first offences.

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 1.)

SELLING.		30 d/a. San Francisco and New York.	
T/T Demand	2/24	4 m/a. Manila	9.35
30 d/a Demand	2/21 1/16	4 m/a. France	9.35
60 d/a Demand		6 m/a. Demand, Germany	51 1/2
4 m/a Demand	2/24	T/T. Bombay	100
T/T. Shanghai	100	Demand, Bombay	100
T/T. Singapore	95 1/2	T/T. Calcutta	100
T/T. Japan	100	Demand, Calcutta	100
T/T. India	165	On Yokohama	104
Demand India		Demand, Manila	102
T/T. San Francisco and New York	51	Demand, Singapore	95 1/2
4 m/a. Java	122	Demand, Batavia	133
T/T. Marks	100	On Hongkong	Nom.
T/T. France	8.75	On Saigon	Nom.
Demand, Paris		On Bangkok	33 1/2
BUYING.		Sovereign	8.75
4 m/a. L/C.	2/39 1/16	Gold leaf per Tael	49.20
4 m/a. D/P.	2/31 1/16	Bar Silver ready	50 15/16
6 m/a. L/C.	2/31	Bank of England rates	32
30 d/a. Sydney and Melbourne	2/44	New York/London	4.56 8/16

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10 " "	2 %
Canton sub. coins " "	177 %

Hongkong August 3, 1923.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

GENERAL HOLIDAY.

On Monday the 6th inst. the G.P.O. and the Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—The G.P.O. and Kowloon Branch from 8 to 9 a.m. only. Sheungwan Branch from 8 to 9 a.m. and from 5.30 to 8 p.m. Wanchai, Shingwui, Yau-mai and other Sub Post Offices from 8 to 9 a.m. and 5 to 6 p.m. There will be one collection of letters from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence on Sunday, and also one delivery of registered correspondence from the G.P.O. at 9 a.m. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	Nanchang	3rd Aug.
Canada U.S.A. Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Jackson	3rd
Europe via Suez (Passes only London 5th June)	Janna	4th
Shanghai	Kansu	5th
U.S.A. Japan & Shanghai	President Cleveland	5th
Shanghai	Soochow	6th
London Letters via Brindisi 10th July	Petrobrats	7th
Bangkok	Waris	8th
Straits	Singapore	8th
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers) London 12th July & Parcel 4th July	Dongola	11th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Hohow	Haitan	Sat., 4 inst., 9 a.m.
Manila, Saad, kum, Austr. Is., & New Zealand via Thursday Is.	Laisang	Sat., 4 inst., 10 a.m.
	St Albans	Sat., 4 inst., 10.30 a.m.
	Registration	9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday 1st 17th Aug.)	
Shanghai	Finkiang	Sat., 4 inst., 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques & Africa, India via Dhanushkodi & Bombay	Celobes M	Sat., 4 inst., 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Hyson	Sat., 4 inst., 5 p.m.
Amoy	Seng Bee	Sat., 4 inst., 5 p.m.
Java via Soerabaya	Tihsing	Sat., 4 inst., 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Kaipo M.	Sun., 5 inst., 8 a.m.
Manila	Pres Jackson	Sun., 5 inst., 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Tyikembang	Mon., 6 inst., 8 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Kwaiang	Mon., 6 inst., 9 a.m.
Manila	Pres Cleveland	Mon., 6 inst., 9 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques & Africa, India via Dhanushkodi & Bombay	Soudan	Tues., 7 inst., 10 a.m.
Straits, Egypt & Europe via Manilla	Sarpedon	Tues., 7 inst., 10.30 a.m.
		Registration 9.45 a.m.
		Letters 10.30 a.m.
		(Due Manilla 9th Sept.)
Straits	Van Cloon	Tues., 7 inst., noon.
Swatow, Amoy & Soochow	Hailong	Tues., 7 inst., noon.
Straits & Ceylon	Lake Paulk	Tues., 7 inst., 4 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques & Africa, India via Dhanushkodi Bombay Aden, Egypt & Europe via Manilla	Khiva	Wed., 8 inst., 9 a.m.
		Registration 9.45 a.m.
		Letters 10.30 a.m.
		(Due Manilla 9th Sept.)

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., O. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Express of Russia	Thurs., 9 inst., 10 a.m.
		Registration 9.15 a.m.
		Letters 10 a.m.
		(Due Vancouver 27th Aug.)
Manila, Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu & San Francisco	Torya M.	Thurs., 9 inst., 10 a.m.
		(Due San Francisco 10th Sept.)

Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung.		Waterlevels in English Feet 8 a.m.	
Place of Observation		Highest W.L. ever recorded	W.L. July 31
Wuchow	West River	+79.20	-2.42
Kongmoon	"	+14.70	-0.80
Linkonghow North	"	+57.03	-0
amsui	"	+27.25	-5.00
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WEATHER REPORT.

Aug. 3d. 10h. 35m.—Warning to Hongkong Coast Ports, &c.—Depression or typhoon of unknown intensity within 120 miles of in Lat. 19° N. Long. 121° E., moving W.N.W.

Aug. 3d. 10h. 50m.—Pressure has decreased moderately from Formosa to Kwangtung, and slightly at Manila. It has increased slightly over Tongking. The typhoon has curved again. At 6 a.m. this morning it was in about Lat. 18° N. and Long. 121° E. moving W.N.W.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 45.32 inches, against an average of 53.02 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District	Forecast
Formosa Channel	strong, N.E. winds
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks	N.W. to N. winds, moderate to fresh
3 Hongkong to Gap Rock	fine at first, later cloudy
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	cloudy later

1. P. CLAXTON, Director.
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